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This application is abandoned in view of:				
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(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final reject application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely for a continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 3	iled Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee);			
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(c) ☐ The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, has	s not been received.	·		
<ol> <li>Applicant's failure to timely file corrected drawings as r Allowability (PTO-37).</li> </ol>	equired by, and within the three-month	period set in, the Notice of		
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